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SUBJ: SOVIET REDUCTION OF TRAVEL CONTROLS

REF: STATE 47931, B. MOSCOW 3315, C. MOSCOW 3311, D. MOSCOW 2658

1. QUADRIPARTITE MEETING (U.S., UK, FRANCE, FRG, AT  
BRITISH EMBASSY MARCH 11 DISCUSSED BRITISH PAPER ON  
TRAVEL CONTROLS (TEXT TRANSMITTD REF C).

2. EMBOFF EXPLAINED THAT WE FELT AGREED PAPER UNNECESSARY  
BUT COMMENTED ON BRITISH PAPER ALONG LINES OF REFS A,  
B, AND D. FRENCH REP MADE CLEAR HIS GOVT HAS NO  
INTENTION OF MODIFYING RULES APPLYING TO SOVIETS IN  
FRANCE, AT LEAST FOR TIME BEING, SINCE THEY ARE  
ALREADY RELATIVELY RELAXED. GERMANS REP WAS UNIFORMED  
RE HIS GOVT'S INTENTIONS. BRITISH VIEW, LARGELY SHARED  
BY FRENCH AND GERMAN REPS, WAS THAT SOVIET MOVE  
REPRESENTED ONE-TIME CONCESSION, MADE WITH CSCE IN MIND,  
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WHICH UNLIKELY TO BE FOLLOWED BY FURTHER RELAXATION.

EMBOFF EMPHASIZED USEFULNESS, IN U.S. EXPERIENCE, OF  
STRICT RECIPROCITY ON TRAVEL MATTERS AND OUR SLIGHTLY  
GREATER OPTIMISM RE POSSIBILITY (GIVEN SHIFT FROM  
"NON-DISCRIMINATORY" TO BILATERAL RECIPROCAL TRACK) OF  
MAKING FURTHER PROGRESS WITH SOVIET ON TRAVEL.

3. COMMENT: ALLIED REPS SEEMED OPENLY ENVIOUS OF U.S.  
STRICT-RECIPROCITY POLICY. EMBASSY HOPES THAT NATO  
DISCUSSION OF THIS SUBJECT WILL AFFORT U.S. REP  
OPPORTUNITY TO STRESS BENEFIT DERIVED FROM OUR APPROACH,  
WHICH IN OUR EXPERIENCE HAS NOT ADVERSELY AFFECTED AT-  
MOSPHERE OF OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS.  
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